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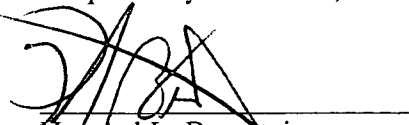
### LETTER CONCERNING PTO/SB/08 A & B

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this letter to correct a typographical error on the PTO/SB/08 A & B submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the above-identified application on May 15, 2006. Applicant listed Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-316754 in the body of the Information Disclosure Statement, however, inadvertently mistyped the reference on the PTO/SB/08 A & B as Japanese Patent Publication No. 11-16754. This reference is discussed within the specification beginning at page 4, line 8. Attached is a corrected PTO/SB/08 A & B which accurately lists all of the references submitted on May 15, 2006. The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial this form and return to the applicants for their files.

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